

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 1742** PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Appln. No.: 10/043,102

Group Art Unit: 1742

Confirmation No.: 6751

Examiner: Ngoclan Thi MAI

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For:

NIOBIUM POWDER, ITS SINTERED BODY, AND CAPACITOR COMPRISING THE

SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed October 1, 2003. A petition for one month of extension time is being filed herewith, making this response due on or before February 2, 2004 (the Monday after February 1, 2004).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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